(b) Concepts such as joint control or joing management over Jammu and Kashmir, proposed by President Musharraf, cannot be the basis of a settlement of the issue of Jammu and Kashmir because Jammu and Kashmir is an integral part of India. There can be no compromise on the sovereignty of India over the state of Jammu and Kashmir and on India's unity.

(c) India has conveyed to Pakistan, at the highest level, that the dialogue process between the two countries would be undermined unless Pakistan takes effective action to dismantle the infrastructure of terrorism, including training camps, launch pads and communication links between terrorist groups on the Indian side and their handlers on the Pakistan side. Pakistan needs to take these steps in fulfillment of the commitment given by it in the Joint Press Statement of January 6, 2004 that it would not permit any territory under its control to be used to support terrorism in any manner.

Building of Diyamar Basha Dam by Pakistan

†2910. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has raised objection against the plan of constructing Diyamar Basha by Pakistan in the Northern region of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether it is a fact that this year in the month of April, the above mentioned Diyamar basha Dam has been inaugurated by the President of Pakistan;

(c) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has ignored the objections by India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Yes. Government conveyed, through diplomatic channels to the Government of Pakistan, its protest against, the proposed construction of Basha Dam in territory that is part of the State of Jammu and Kashmir, which is an integral part of India.

(b) Yes. On 26 April 2006, Pakistan President Musharraf took part in the ground breaking ceremony of the proposed Basha Dam.

(c) and (d) According to reports, Pakistan proposed to complete the construction of the Basha Dam by 2016.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.